

I am extremely concerned about the tactics of Sinclair Broadcasting and what is happening with the law in our country. How can they be allowed to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election. This exhibits the danger of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. Airing a documentary based on falsehood and deceit, which has been shown through the Swift Boat Veterans ads, serve no purpose to us as American citizens. We should be able to rely on our media for truth, honesty and impartial reporting.

I tried in vain to contact not only my local stations under Sinclair's ownership. I received recorded messages. Even when I tried to call Mark Hyman, which I was told to do when I called on local station, I got a recording, which gives a veiled political commentary, and no ability to leave a message. This is frightening and dangerous. If they have such confidence in their honesty and reliability, why won't they even speak to those of us with concerns.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.